

What is claimed is:

1. A document processing system having a user interface, said user interface comprising:

5 a tab data entry frame facilitating entry of tab data and entry of tab content; and
a page preview frame showing a tab layout and said tab content.

2. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said user interface allows all of said tab data and tab content to be entered at one time.

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3. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said user interface allows said tab content to be entered during creation of a document.

4. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said page preview frame
15 shows an accurate image of said tabbed page with said tab content.

5. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said page preview frame shows an accurate image of a plurality of said tabbed pages with a corresponding plurality of said tab content.

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6. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said user interface is adapted to receive data pertaining to a location of said tabbed pages in a document to allow for automated insertion of said tabbed pages.

7. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said tab content comprises a graphic.

8. The document processing system of claim 7, wherein said graphic is a color
5 graphic.

9. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said tab content includes merged fields.

10 10. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said user interface is adapted to compensate for deleted tabbed pages.

11. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said user interface is adapted to automatically accommodate a change in tab data involving a change in tab
15 modulus.

12. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said user interface is adapted to digitize tab content.

20 13. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein said user interface is adapted to justify tab content on said tab.

14. The document processing system of claim 1, wherein a personal computer hosts said user interface.

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15. A document processing system, comprising:
- a user interface capable of automatically configuring tabbed pages within a document; and
- an output device for processing said document including said tabbed pages.

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16. The document processing system of claim 15, further comprising:
- a personal computer for hosting said user interface; and
- a network coupling said personal computer to said output device.

- 10 17. An automated method for processing a document having tabbed pages, said method comprising the steps of:
- receiving tab modulus data;
- determining a location of a tab;
- receiving tab content; and
- 15 positioning tab content onto said tab.

18. The method for processing a document having tabbed pages of claim 17, wherein said step of positioning tab content involves rotating said tab content for placement on said tab.

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19. The method for processing a document having tabbed pages of claim 17, further comprising the steps of:

receiving data identifying a location of at least one of said tabbed pages in said document;

- 25 automatically inserting said at least one of said tabbed pages in said document.

20. A storage medium for use in an electronic device, said medium holding instructions for performing an automated method for processing a document having tabbed pages, comprising the steps of:

- 5 receiving tab modulus data;
- determining a location of a tab;
- receiving tab content; and
- positioning tab content onto said tab.